



COLCHESTER BOARD OF EDUCATION
Colchester, CT

POLICY COMMITTEE - MINUTES

Monday, November 16, 2020 ~ **5:30 PM**
Virtual Meeting via BoardDocs and Zoom

MEMBERS PRESENT: Amy Domeika, Christopher McGlynn, Suesen Hickey
ADMINISTRATION PRESENT: Superintendent Jeffrey Burt
OTHERS PRESENT: BOE Chair Mary Tomasi, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent Amy Trinnaman

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair A. Domeika called the meeting to order at 5:33PM.

2. ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO AGENDA

Motion by: A. Domeika

To add agenda item 7.1: Temporary Policy Review

Second by: S. Hickey

Vote: Unanimous

Roll Call: A. Domeika, S. Hickey, C. McGlynn

3. CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4.1 October 26, 2020

Motion by: S. Hickey

To approve the minutes of the October 26, 2020 Policy Committee meeting

Second by: A. Domeika

Vote: Unanimous

Roll Call: A. Domeika, S. Hickey, C. McGlynn

5. *PRIORITY DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS: POLICIES/REGULATIONS FOR A FIRST READING

5.1 4118.234P (~5141.231) Psychotropic Drug Use

The committee reviewed a recommended terminology change from “psychotropic” to “prescription” drug use.

5.2 5139P Participation Fees for School Activities

There was discussion of extending fee waivers to non-sporting activities.
Superintendent Burt will review existing policies and recommend adjustments to this policy.

5.3 4112.8P (~4218.8P) Nepotism

Policy update clarifies family relationships and supervisor/employee relationships.

5.4 5145.15P Student Directory Information

Policy updates recommended by CABA clarify what qualifies as student directory information, which may be released.

Motion by: A. Domeika

To move policies 4118.234P Psychotropic Drug Use, 5139P Participation Fees for School Activities, 4112.8P Nepotism, and 5145.15P Student Directory Information with possible revisions, to the full BOE for a first reading.

Second by: S. Hickey

Vote: Unanimous

Roll Call: A. Domeika, S. Hickey, C. McGlynn

6. OTHER POLICIES REQUIRING IMMEDIATE ATTENTION (NONE AT THIS TIME)

7. *CONTINUED DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS (NONE AT THIS TIME)

7.1 Temporary Policies Review

Agenda item 7.1 Temporary Policies Review will be a standing agenda item.

8. *NON-SUBSTANTIVE POLICIES

8.1 *4111.2P (~4211.2P) Vacancies

8.2 *5145.12P Search and Seizure

Motion by: S. Hickey

To move 4111.2P Vacancies and 5145.12P Search and Seizure to the full BOE for a first reading.

Second by: A. Domeika

Vote: Unanimous

Roll Call: A. Domeika, S. Hickey, C. McGlynn

9. POLICIES/REGULATIONS RECOMMENDED FOR REMOVAL (NONE AT THIS TIME)

10. INFORMATION ITEMS: REGULATIONS (NONE AT THIS TIME)

11. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NEW ISSUES RAISED OR SUBJECTS DEVELOPED

None.

12. ESTABLISH DECEMBER 14, 2020 AGENDA PRIORITIES

Complete Series 5000 Students and continue review of Series 4000 Personnel policies as needed. The Committee will also address any immediate need for COVID-19 related policies.

13. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:14PM.